CITY OF MILPITAS YOUTH ADVISORY COMMISSION

Minutes: Regular Meeting of the Youth Advisory Commission

Date of Meeting: Thursday, February 10, 2005

Time of Meeting: 7:00 p.m.

Place of Meeting: 455 E. Calaveras Blvd., City Hall Commission Conference Room

A. ROLE CALL

Commissioner Joseph Hall called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Commissioners Present:

Joseph Hall, Lindsey Munzel, Justin Nguyen, Khullat Munir, Van La, and Jav Kumar

Alternates Present: N/A

Commissioners Absent:

Charlotte Beard, Aditya Ullal and Danielle Yee

Alternates - Kumuda Rao

City Council Present:

Debbie Giordano

City Staff Present:

Samu Tiumalu, Program Coordinator Dale Flunoy, Program Coordinator

B. SEATING OF ALTERNATES: N/A

C. FLAG SALUTE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

D. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

MOTION to adopt the minutes of Thursday, January 13, 2005 was made.

M/S: Munzel/Nguyen Ayes: All

E. CITIZENS FORUM

N/A

F. ANNOUCEMENT

Program Coordinator Dale Flunoy requested all interested commissioner's to complete and submit their registration form for the upcoming YAC Attack scheduled for Saturday, March 5, at San Jose State University. Coordinator Flunoy also requested assistance from three commissioner's to assist with the flag presentation at the March 8th City Council meeting for the Month of the Young Child. Commissioner Munir volunteered her assistance for the event.

G. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION to adopt the Agenda of Thursday, February 10, 2005, as submitted.

M/S: Munzel/Munir Ayes: All

H. OLD BUSINESS

1. Alcohol Awareness Pamphlet

Commissioner Munir presented the update for the commission. The subcommittee would like to have the Alcohol bookmarks available for teens by May. Chair Hall reported that one side would include pictures of the brain before and after the use of drugs (brain imaging). Commissioner Nguyen commented that the pictures of the brain should not be grotesque as it could offend potential readers. Commissioner Munir added that these pictures are powerful images and would help to get the message across. Chair Hall reported the other side would include facts of alcohol/drugs. Commissioner Munir stated she would look into the cost of

printing and quantity. Coordinator Flunoy informed the commission that they would be responsible for the design/layout and City staff would assist with the printing of the bookmark since it would come out of the City's budget. Coordinator Flunoy also stated that City staff would work on getting the Milpitas Unified School District approval to distribute the bookmark to students.

A motion was made to move forward with the design and layout of the project.

M/S: Munir/Munzel Ayes: All

2. Youth Advisory Commission Goals:

The Youth Commission had determined the following items to be their goals for their 04-05-office term 1) Commission Social, 2) Continue to offer a "Rock the Beat" type event, 3) More active at the Teen Center, 4) Work with the Graffiti Terminators.

To date here is the status of said goals:

- Commission Social Coordinator Flunoy suggested the commission host a social either before or after their monthly meetings. This would not require any one commissioner to commit to a scheduled date and would allow them to be ready for the meeting. Coordinator Flunoy also recommended before the Commissioner's Dinner scheduled for Thursday, April 20.
- Continue to offer a "Rock the Beat" type event Coordinator Tiumalu stated that
 the Teen Center staff will plan this event in May 2005 and the Youth Advisory
 Commission will be asked to be there on the day of the event and help out where
 needed.
- 3. **More active at the Teen Center** Commissioner Munir asked about the tutoring program at the Teen Center and how she could participate. Coordinator Tiumalu took her name and informed her that she would be included in the tutor list. Commissioner La stated she would be able to assist at the upcoming Teen Valentine's Dance on Saturday, February 12. Coordinator Tiumalu informed La that she would need to arrive between 5-6pm to assist.
- 4. **Graffiti Terminators -** No update was provided due to Commissioner Ullal not being present at the meeting.

A motion was made to re-agendize the following goals, commission social, "Rock the Beat" event, support the Teen Center, and Graffiti Terminators.

M/S: La/Munir Ayes: All

3. Channel 15

At the December 9, 2004 meeting, the commission discussed the possibility of a teen talk show or another avenue to be available for teens on channel 15. Commissioner Yee contacted the video club at Milpitas High School and spoke with Vice President of the club, who stated that he would talk to the president and he would get back to her with some possibilities for the video. Commissioner Yee did not attend the meeting and couldn't provide an update for the commission. Chair Hall stated this project will require a lot of commitment and with school schedules didn't think it was feasible for the commission to take on as a project. Commissioner Munir agreed and confirmed the time commitment that is required would result in a huge burden. She also stated the project would require too much manpower from the commission and others would need to assist. Chair Hall suggested moving forward with a Teen Hotline out of the Teen Center. Commissioner Munir stated that a hotline would require training and wasn't sure if this would be feasible either. Project Cornerstone Alexandra Ponce interjected and informed the commission of other cities conducting a teen hotline and said she would be able to provide contact information for the various groups.

A motion was made to re-agendize a Teen Hotline after staff researches the feasibility of the hotline to the March 10, 2005, Commission meeting.

M/S: Munir/Munzel Ayes: All

4. Project Cornerstone

Chair Hall stated this project would help to create awareness for the YAC and would be a great project. Hall then requested a volunteer to take the lead on the project. Councilmember Giordano recommended on re-agendizing the item for the August 2005 meeting for a new commission to take on as a project. After much discussion, since the project deadline was June 2005, the commission decided to postpone the project until August 2005 for the new commission to take on the project.

A motion was made to re-agendize Project Cornerstone for the August meeting.

M/S: Nguyen/Munir Ayes: All

I. NEW BUSINESS

None

J. OTHER BUSINESS

1. City Council Liaison Report

Councilmember Giordano informed the commission of a newly created commission called Open Government Commission. She informed the group that this commission would be responsible for requests from citizens regarding City business. This commission would review the requests for City documents and then work with City staff to provide the requested information to the citizens. In addition, the Council is looking to provide more speaking time to citizens from 2 minutes to 3 minutes to allow more public comments. This is a great way to have the citizens know the ins and outs of City business and provide a more open type of government. Giordano also noted at the February City Council meeting, two City employees were recognized at the Gene Schwab award recipients. Giordano also informed the commission that the City of Milpitas Finance department had recently received a Distinguished Budget Award for their budgeting efforts. Giordano informed the commission of an upcoming event at the HP Pavilion on February 20th with all proceeds benefiting the Tsunami Relief Effort.

2. Staff Report

Program Coordinator Tiumalu reported the following:

The Teen Center has been averaging 35-40 teens per day. He also reminded the commission of the upcoming Teen Center Valentines Dance on Saturday, February 12, 2005 from 6:00 PM to 10:00 PM.

K. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Commissioner Hall adjourned the meeting at 7:55 pm to Thursday, March 10, 2005, at 7:00pm at the City Hall Committee Room.

Respectfully Submitted,

Samu Tiumalu Program Coordinator